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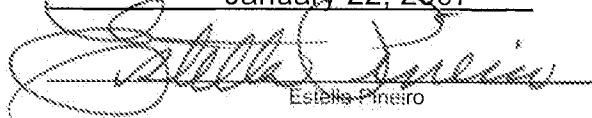
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Filed:	06/26/2003	Art Unit:	3763
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For:	Tearable Hemostasis Valve And Splittable Sheath		

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2006, which was made final, please amend the above-identified application as follows.